GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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TENDERS FOR TRANSPORTATION IN HARYANA
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether oil sector PSU`s have really ignored basic condition for qualifying the tenders for tendering transportation rates in Haryana;

(b) if so, the reasons for giving two different rates to contractors and transporters first time in the history; and

(c) the reasons for finalising such contracts after the expiry of 240 days of calling the tenders ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (c) :- Oil Sector PSUs have reported that the basic conditions for qualifying the tenders for tendering transportation rates in Haryana have not been ignored.
At present, there are two rates prevailing for transportation of POL in Haryana. This is due to the fact that a few tenderers quoted lower rates and the tenders were awarded to them as per the quoted rates. Since, the number of tankers offered by tenderers of lower rates were not sufficient, negotiations were carried out by oil PSUs in Haryana and the negotiated rate was offered to the rest of tenderers and the same was accepted. There was delay in finalising the tenders due to agitation by the transporters for changing certain tender conditions leading to stoppage of POL supplies for few days, resulting in cancellation of earlier tender.